## Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 principles of Leave No Trace skills and ethics

- Plan ahead and prepare: Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces: Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- Leave what you find: Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- Minimize campfire impacts: Cook with a camp stove. Simply enjoy a candle lantern or the night sky.
- Respect Wildlife: Hang food and scented items 10 feet up and 4 feet out from trunk of tree. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- Be considerate of other visitors: Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

**EMERGENCIES:** In case of emergency, go to the nearest phone (as located on map) and call 586-1399 or 911. Please remember that patrol cabins are not routinely staffed. Climb to higher elevations to attempt cell phone use.

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<u>Site Location</u>: The sites are located in a lodgepole pine forest on the north side of the trail just east of the bridge across North St. Vrain Creek. Follow the red arrowheads uphill about 100 yds. to the sites--one on top of a small ridge and the second in a flat area beyond the ridge. Pitch tent within 15' of post with silver arrowhead to limit impact on surrounding vegetation.

Number of Sites: 2 <u>Distance</u>: 1.4 mi.

Privy: YES Elevation: 8,880 ft.

Approx. Travel Time: 1 hr Elevation Change: 380 ft.

Water Source: Obtain water from North St. Vrain Creek. Boil or adequately treat all water.

To Reach the Trailhead (TH): The TH is located at the Wild Basin Ranger Station. Take CO Hwy 7 south from Estes Park, pass the turnoff to the Longs Peak Ranger Station. Take the marked turnoff to the Wild Basin Ranger Station, and turn again just beyond the Wild Basin Lodge. The Ranger Station and TH are at the end of the dirt road.

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